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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GARRISON THEATRE,
NORTH BARRACKS.
"MILITARY NUMBERS"
will give Two Performances of TOM TAYLOR'S
Drama of
"TICKET OF LEAVE MAN."
ON MONDAY & WEDNESDAY, 1st & 3rd
SEPTEMBER, 1890.
Doors open at 8.30; to Commence at 9 p.m.
Fare and Pensions provided.
Tickets, Reserved Seats (numbered), 50c.
Can be obtained of Supt. Clerk J. C. Watson,
Communications Building,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1013]

ZETLAND LODGE.
No. 825.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above
FREEBORN LODGE will be held at the
FREDERICK HALL, 2nd Street, on MON-
DAY EVENING, the 1st inst., at 8.30 for
8 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cor-
dially invited to attend. The Lodge is
open to all who are initiated in the
Lodge, 23rd August, 1890. [1915]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND
TAIWANFOO.
The Company's Steamship
"THALES,"
Captain Hunter, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at
11 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAIDLAK & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1916]

FOR SHANGHAI
The Steamship
"AMOI,"
Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 3rd
inst., at 11 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NICHOLSEN & Co.,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1917]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI AND TIENTSIN.
The Company's Steamship
"PECHU,"
Captain Freeman, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 3rd inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
J. K. JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1914]

FOR NEW YORK
HE 3.3.1. American Ship
"GEORGE SCHOLFIELD,"
Captain Manton, will be despatched for the
above Port, and will call at New York,
and will be quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1914]

STEAMSHIP "SAGHAIEN."
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANCAIS.
NOTICE.
Consignees of Cargo from London
Ex S. S. Tigre, from Havre Ex
S. S. Tigre, from Bordeaux Ex S. S. Tigre
de Dunkerque in connection with above
Steamer, are hereby notified that Goods,
with the exception of Opium, Treasure,
and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their
respective Company's Godowns, where they
may be obtained immediately on delivery.
Official Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before 10 a.m. TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), re-
questing it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNES-
DAY, the 3rd inst., at Noon, will be subject
to rent and landing charges at one cent per
package per diem.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or before
the 5th September, or they will not be re-
cognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent,
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1890. [1912]

FOR SALE.
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FROM
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VINTAGES
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EMPIRE PALE ALE.

EMPIRE PALE ALE.	
10 PINTS per DOZEN	\$ 1.50
20 QUARTS per DOZEN	2.50
9 GALLONS per CASE	8.00
18 GALLONS per CASE	10.00
EMPIRE EXTRA XX STOUT.	
10 PINTS per DOZEN	\$ 1.60
20 QUARTS per DOZEN	2.60
9 GALLONS per CASE	8.50
18 GALLONS per CASE	12.00

SOLE AGENTS.

HONGKONG TRADING CO., LD.
LATE TIAN HAN & HOLES CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 21st August, 1890.

BY APPOINTMENT.

A. S. WATSON & COMPANY
LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED
WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted
with automatic Steam Machinery of the
latest and most approved kind, and we
are able to complete in quality with
the best English makers.

The present ingredients only are used, and
the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised
in the manufacture throughout.

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No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty,
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for any other purpose than that of containing
Aerated Water, as such Bottles are never used
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MARRIAGES.

On the 15th July, at St. John's, Hongkong, by the
Rev. Leonard F. Smith, the Rev. John A. Macdonald,
Bishop of Hongkong, D.D., and Mr. Macdonald, F.R.S.,
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The action taken at Canton is an illustration
of the evils attendant on the
possibility of the Viceroy—a system
which is being gradually weakened, but
is yet far from abolished. A Viceroy is
still allowed to do very much which
he likes in his province, and amongst
other powers he exercises is that of increasing
or remitting taxation. A retiring Viceroy,
having comfortably fattened his nest,
may have a fancy to gain popularity at the
close of his career, which he can always do
by a remission of taxation. His successor,
finding the public income thus reduced, sees
his chance of making a good thing during
his tenure of office correspondingly diminished,
and he accordingly finds that new taxes are
necessary, or invents some other excuse for
reimposing the abandoned taxation, possibly
with a considerable increase. There is no
fairness in the collection of the taxes, no
fairness in the application of the amount
fully headed over; from top to bottom the
body of officialdom in China is corrupt,
according to Western ideas, though as the
"squeezing" is a recognized institution of the
country it is not always easy to say where the
line dividing possible honesty from absolute
dishonesty should be drawn. But as regards
the imposition of increased taxation on
tea, the trade in which is already being
strangled by taxation, the folly of the course
pursued calls for almost as severe condemnation
as if it were dictated by simple dishonesty.
We are afraid little expectation
can be entertained of the expansion of the
trade of the Two Kwang during Mr. Mac-
donald's term of office. His Excellency is
said to be favourable to the construction of
the proposed Canton-Kowloon railway and
to the adoption of Western ideas, which in
itself is extremely gratifying, but he can
hardly be so blind as to imagine his new
scheme of taxation by the creation of innumerable
agencies, farms can be for the
good of the province, for or no for. We
would have more faith in His Excellency's
supposed progressiveness if his fiscal policy
looked a little straighter.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at
8.30 a.m. yesterday.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys left yesterday by the
N. D. L. steamer *Prinzessin* for a short trip home.

The P. & O. steamer *Yongala* left Singapore
for this port yesterday at 5.30 a.m. with the
outward English mails.

We hear that the O. S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor*,
which was reported ashore near Hoihow, is on
a sandbank and was expected to get off yesterday.

The fire at Shanghai mentioned in our
yesterday's issue at Canton, was a fire at
Canton, and the loss, it is estimated,
will amount to Tls. 110,000. The property was
insured.

Complaints have reached us of the scarcity of
meat along Bowry Road. If the Surveyor-
General would provide a few more he would
greatly aid to the enjoyment of this attractive
resort by residents, especially those who
in the course of their evening walk may
wish to sit down for a short time.

The *Strait Times* of the 16th inst. says:—A
letter has been received from the
Bangkok saying that Mr. McGregor, Manager
of the Siam Goldfields Co., is expected
to arrive here on the 20th inst.

Charge against Mr. McGregor was one of
murder, and he was charged with the
murder of a Chinese man named Mr. Barker,
who was employed as a blacksmith at the mines
quarrelled with his wife, and that they were
engaged in some sort of a struggle when
Mr. McGregor shot and killed Mr. Barker.

The following items are taken from the
London and China Express of the 21st inst.:

Mr. Le Poer French, the First Secretary
of the British Embassy at Berlin, has just returned
after an absence of nearly five months, during
which he was in the East, and he is
expected to arrive here on the 20th inst.

No decision has yet been come to, we believe,
by the Colonial authorities as to Rajah Brooke's
action in annexing the Labrang River. It is
possible that further advice are wanted from
the Straits.

The French Times announces the publication
in its columns of a Chinese novel from the
pen of General Tcheng Ki-tong. Our readers
are aware that there exist many Chinese novels,
and the form of these is very varied. Some
of them are of a very high order of merit,
and the one now announced is no exception.

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In Lyons the rise in exchange is looked on
with considerable favour, notwithstanding a
form of protection for native silk and the
Bullist's fear of the industrial class.
The French silk trade is a very important
one, and the rise in exchange is a very
important one.

The first P. & O. steamer for London (the
Yongala) left Singapore for this port
yesterday at 5.30 a.m. with the outward
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POLICE COURT.

27th August.

Before His Honor, R. M. WOODHOUSE.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 1890

The Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation

In the meantime the shareholders have their satisfaction of pocketing a dividend of fifty shillings a share, with the prospect of soon receiving a stock dividend of nearly as good for the present. But the directors are not so easily satisfied. They know that the stock will always command the public confidence. The meeting of Saturday was in striking contrast to the meetings of sixteen and seventeen years ago, when the shareholders used to go without dividends and the shares sold at a discount. The directors are not so easily satisfied. A Bank's affairs come that at the meeting held in the 18th February, 1878, it was proposed that the directors should forego their remuneration, a subject on which some little controversy was displayed, and the following resolution was carried: "That no dividend be paid, and that the directors should not draw remuneration, but that the directors should be paid the sum of £100,000 for the year. By that time fortunately things had taken a turn, and at the meeting held on the 22nd February, 1878, a dividend was declared. In the period of greatest prostration, however, when a call on the reserve fund had been made, the directors had been asked to stand at the altar amount of \$100,000, and the public confidence in the stability and the recuperative power of the Bank was well maintained. A shareholder at the February meeting in 1875 quoted a friend of his, who was then known as saying, "Kingdom come, the only danger is that the directors will be true to themselves the directors can hold their own." Soon after this the present Chief, Manager, Mr. T. JACKSON, took charge at the head office, and the history of the Bank since that time has been a history of progress, and prosperity. There have been no great reverses, and no serious losses, such as in medical parlance we might call passing ailments, but nothing in the nature of a constitutional disturbance. The safe policy has been followed of building up a strong reserve fund, which now stands at £1,000,000, and in 1877, when the directors had the expansion of the Bank's business from time to time called for an increased capital, which is now £7,500,000 with another issue of £2,500,000 in course of payment. The directors and the management are entirely entitled to the vote of the shareholders, passed on Saturday, and the shareholders are to be congratulated on the position the Bank has attained. But the prosperity of the Bank is not of interest to the shareholders alone. As the leading Bank of Asia it is a regulating factor in the financial affairs of the East, and, especially in this "financial focus of the East," must its welfare be a matter of solicitude to the public at large.

By the departure of the Hon. A. P. Mac

of the Peace when Mr. CHARTERIS goes home. Another name that has been mentioned is that of Mr. N. F. Ems, who serves on the Sanitary Board, ought to secure for him a large measure of support if he came forward. To the somewhat uninteresting and laborious work of the Sanitary Board, however, devoted attention might be expected from anyone in relation to his private business, and it would prove equally useful in the Legislative Council. Mr. Ems, however, is not presenting a candidate for election to that body. The choice is in fact limited to two gentlemen who are well known to the public. One of them is a man on whose behalf their friends have begun to beat up their forces. They are Mr. H. L. DALRYMPLE and Mr. T. J. WHITEHEAD, the local manager of the Chartered Bank. If these are not the names that would first suggest themselves to impartial observers it must be because they are not well known, or are not well calculated to discharge satisfactorily the duties of the position. Mr. DALRYMPLE is the Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and a director of several of our local joint stock enterprises. The Chairmanship of the Bank, it is true, does not carry any particular weight because of the large number of directors, but Mr. DALRYMPLE is a fairly business man, and some of the others. Mr. WHITEHEAD has had a very successful career in the Colony as a banker and as a man of business he commands confidence. It has been objected to him that he represents home rather than colonial interests, and it is true that as a banker and manager he is liable to be transferred to another branch. The first part of this objection does not appear to have much weight. Mr. WHITEHEAD is, we believe, practically as much a fixture in Hongkong as most of the merchants. As to the question of home and colonial interests, the Foreign Office could not possibly quarrel with him being local, and, in fact, these head quarters were in the Colony, but, at the same time it must be remembered that there is nothing neo-colonial antagonism between home and colonial interests, and that a bank manager will naturally be interested in the prosperity of the places where he is stationed, on that point there is no question of his bias. It must be confessed, however, that neither Mr. WHITEHEAD nor Mr. DALRYMPLE has given the public much opportunity of judging of what his views on public questions may be. Whether they are in favour of the establishment of a Municipal Council, of the extension of the franchise, or of any other question, and so on, we do not know. Both gentlemen are of course personally known to every member of the very limited constituency whose hands they seek election, and therefore, so far as can be judged, will turn chiefly on the personal popularity of the two gentlemen. If an election is to be decided by the personal popularity of the candidates, it might be well to consider whether it should not be put to the test by an appeal to a larger constituency. Nearly all the members of the Chamber of Commerce are also members of the Municipal Council, and the Justices of the Peace, and most of the other official Justices of the Peace are also members of the Chamber of Commerce. Outside of these there are also a few members of the Chamber of Commerce who are also Justices of the Peace. For either one or both of the elective members of the Council the constituency might advantageously be made the same as it is for the members of the Sanitary Board, that is to say, all taxpayers who are on the jury list or who are exempted from service as jurors or who are exempted from service as Justices of the Peace. It would be interesting to know the opinion on this and other points of the candidates now seeking election at the hands of the Chamber of Commerce.

In his report on the trade of Shanghai for 1889, Consul-General Hughes makes some

Japan is said to have doubled which ascribes to the extension of the railway system; and says a similar result is expected in China: when the limits are expanded of her more progressive neighbours without her railways, and steamships, and telegraphs, and telephones, and a large extension of trade might be effected in China. The country has a magnificent system of natural waterways, wretchedly conserved, it is true, and so bringing calamities in the shape of floods, but serving admirably for means of commerce. Small steamers and much native and foreign trade would be greatly increased. Since the progress made by Japan and the phrase she has taken in the comity of nations, it is surprising that China should where unsurprisingly to her old world system. Even if she objected to the opening of more rivers, why she should not allow her people to avail themselves of the advantages of the use of steam on her inland waters.

The question of the provision of a lep

ings of the Colonial Office. TUNGI ALLUM, it will be remembered by Singapore residents, never acquiesced in his deposition, and in consequence of non-acquiescence he was at one time reduced to poverty, and indeed it was only by active personal interposition of Mr. W. Read that the Tungku (and his family) received the \$500 a month, for which his father sold Johore, and another \$750 which are given to him in compensation for his services in Singapore. As for the how presented yesterday (13th inst.) and buried at the cost of the Straits Government, may be regarded as a tardy and fitting recognition of the fact that Tungku ALLUM has been badly used by the nation which received its status in Singapore from Tungku ALLUM's grandfather.

of Tungku ALLUM from Muar, the changes have probably worked for good in the Mal.

In the monograph before us Dr. Cantlie deals with leprosy in its medical and political aspects.

Dr. Cantlie examines the various theories advanced to account for the spread of leprosy, namely, heredity, contagion, infection from the house, inoculation, etc. Heredity and contagion

the human family and some of the lower animals.

A somewhat curious error seems to have crept into the Public Health Ordinance, No. 24 of 1897. "By section 2 it is provided that anything said or done by any person in the name of the Government shall be deemed to be the act of the Government." The error is in the word "act," which should be "cause does." Three persons in one house, two another, and no others in the surrounding district.

have occurred I have no doubt, and we have the example of Singapore before us of European

growth of its resources. At that time Deposits represented over 40½ millions of dollars.

ed to brighten. The latest phase of the case is much as follows:—The Supreme Court at Madrid has admitted the Bank's petition to appear in the Manila Courts as creditors of Jones and Co., and has admitted our agents

right to appear in the lawsuits of the bankrupt. We have had much cause for regret

Hon. C. P. CHATER seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Carried unanimously.
The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen, that conclu

should have returned so promptly to Colony when asked to do so was only what was to be expected from him. He was a man of business, and his business runs as smoothly as the wheels of a clock, and shows that everyone trusts and has thorough confidence in the ability and good judgment of the man who has been placed in charge on the Bank has a true friend and I am sure we all wish that he should be long blessed to good health, and that he should live long enough for many years to be able to do some good to the interests of which he has so thoroughly devoted. (Applause).

The HATMAN—Gentlemen, on behalf of the directors I beg to thank you for the vote of confidence which you have given to the directors cordially agree with every word that has been said with regard to our Chief Manager. (Applause).

Mr. J. F. HARRIS was received with much appreciation—Gentlemen, I thank you all for the cordial words of thanks you have given to the staff and myself, and I am particularly glad that my words in doing so have been so warmly received. I am sure that everyone present will sympathize with Mr. No. 1 in having to give up his post at a time when

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DO
COMPANY, LIMITED.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at the Company's offices on the 26th August, 1911, at 11 o'clock, when the following gentlemen were present:—Mr. J. P. Dowdell, T. P. Davies, Hon. J. K. Kowich, S. C. Michoud, S. L. Wood, J. Hopkins, L. P. Smecher, (Missions), G. W. Crawford, H. M. S. Eavall, J. C. dos Remedios and D. Gillies. (Secretary).

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the report has been made, and I am sorry that your permission will take it as read. Directors trust it may be considered satisfactory, and that it may be possible to maintain a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. I cannot commend a higher one until the Company is free of debt. It may interest you to learn that your Directors tried last year to get the Hongkong Loan to be repaid to the New Deeds with the Lords of the Admiralty—but this application has been refused. I am sorry to hear that you are not shortly to be able to pay off \$100,000 of the loan made with the Hongkong Loan Insurance Company, reducing it to \$400,000. I am glad to hear that the Hongkong Loan began favourably; the Docks being fairly employed, and thus not retreating for the moment. I am sure that the Company will be able to pay off the loan. Before meeting the shareholders, I shall be pleased to answer any questions.

the Admiralty, as to the support they were
give to the Company in connection with

DOCK? It used an understanding did not, that is, there was no understanding to stand, a great deal of correspondence on the part and I think the shareholders would be glad of some information.

THE CHAIRMAN—I reply to Mr. BAIN that I ought to say there was an agreement between the Admiralty that in consideration of the dock being built, Her Majesty's vessels would be put at the disposal of the contractors to the interests of the service. Of course, I know, some of the vessels have died in Japan.

MR. BAIN—Who is to settle, whether it is to be the Admiralty or the Dock?

THE CHAIRMAN—The Admiralty, I presume.

MR. BAIN—It is certain that the building of the dock is a matter of great importance to the interests of the shareholders whatever it may have been to the Service.

THE CHAIRMAN—It is a question that requires to be settled.

MR. BAIN—I ask whether any representations have been made to the Admiralty by what I call the unfair treatment of the shareholders, and whether the Admiralty will support what might have been expected at the assurance given.

THE CHAIRMAN—Yes, your last Chairman, Mr. BAIN, was the last Admiralty Secretary when he was here.

tions to put I beg to propose the adoption of report and accounts as presented.

Mr CRAWFORD seconded.
Carried unanimously.
The CHAIRMAN having notified that dividends might be had on application at office to-day (Thursday) the meeting closed.

An extraordinary general meeting of the company was held at the Hongkong H

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